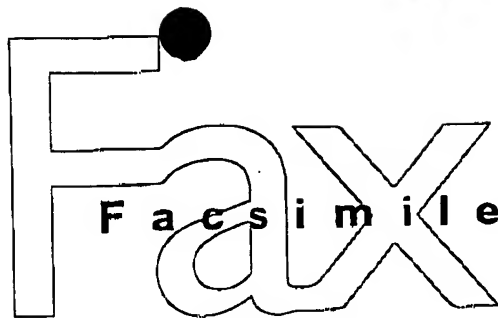




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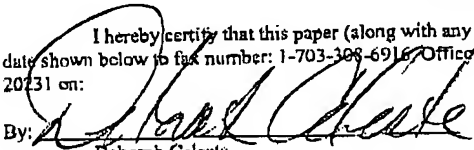
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Sir:

A PAIR status check of the above-referenced application showed that it was dispatched from the OIPE to the Group Art Unit. A Petition under 37 CFR 1.47 (hostile inventor) was filed in this case on September 4, 2002. We have not received a decision on the petition. A telephone conference with Examiner Knauss confirmed that there has been no decision on the petition.

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We have obtained the signature of formerly hostile inventor Dan Steinberg. A copy of the Declarations executed by both named inventors were faxed to Sheila Smith at GAU 2847. A copy of the same executed Declarations is enclosed with this letter to inform you that all inventors' signatures are now on the Declarations, making the subject matter of the rule 1.47 petition moot.

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